

NEWS FROM RICHMOND AND OTHER PARTS OF VIRGINIA.

RICHMOND NEWS AND GOSSIP

Wagers Laid on What Chairman Ellyson Will Do.

HE MAINTAINS SILENCE

Will Give No Intimation of What Course He Will Pursue—A Feeling of Certainty That There Will Be a Candidate For Senator as Result of May Conference—A Widow in Trouble.

(Special to Virginian-Pilot.)

Richmond, Va., May 15.—Many bets are being made in Richmond as to whether Mr. Ellyson will call a meeting of the State Committee to pass upon the request of the conference here last Wednesday for a State Senatorial convention.

It is claimed by those who oppose a convention that the committee has not the authority to order a convention for the purpose of making a nomination for the Senate. Therefore, Mr. Ellyson will not ask the committee to consider a request to do that which it has not the right to do.

Upon the other hand, those who favor a convention making nomination, including both the papers of this city, argue that the committee has perfect authority to call such a convention, and that the convention can make a nomination.

REFUSES TO DIVULGE.

Mr. Ellyson will give no intimation as to what course he will pursue. He states that he will act promptly upon the receipt of the request for a convention. This is expected to come Wednesday, when Hon. William A. Anderson, chairman of the conference, returns from Charleston.

A CANDIDATE WILL BE NAMED.

Meanwhile, there is a feeling of certainty among those familiar with the situation that there will be a candidate as the result of the conference. It is practically assured that Mr. Jones will be the man, notwithstanding the solicitations received by Governor Tyler to enter the race. Mr. Jones is regarded by the large majority of those behind the movement for the popular election of Senatorial candidates, as logically the man to make the race. He is expected to delay only a few days the announcement of his candidacy.

Senatorial reform headquarters will most likely be reopened here Wednesday. Mr. L. C. Garnett, secretary, will return from his home in Mathews county, Wednesday. Mr. Anderson will probably reach here from Charleston, and Congressman Jones and Mr. Claggett Jones are expected then, or a day or two later.

Mr. Anderson will probably be ready to announce the permanent committee of twenty of the Senatorial Reform League. This committee will have headquarters here, which will be kept open until after next Fall's election.

A WIDOW IN TROUBLE.

Mrs. W. Yale, a well known widow of King William county, advertised for another divorce. She wishes now she had allowed events to take their natural course, and matrimonial offers to come in the usual way. She advertised through the journal of Charles H. Rowan's Matrimonial Bureau. Rowan is being prosecuted in the United States Court at Milwaukee for using the mails for fraudulent and improper purposes. Mrs. Yale is summoned to appear as a witness. The process was served by United States Marshal Morgan Treat, of this city. It is understood the lady's real name is not Yale. She is far from wealthy.

THE NOTICE.

The lady stated that in a moment of thoughtlessness and for a diversion she sent the advertisement to the bureau. A few days afterwards the following advertisement appeared in Rowan's matrimonial journal, which that ingenious gentleman made up as the description of the widow who sent him her name as an eligible for his list of females looking for husbands:

VIRGINIA.—2007.—The gentleman who is looking for a good wife who has money should write to me. I have \$55,000 in my own right, and besides am a fine-looking widow, well known, highly esteemed, and just the one to make a good wife to the man of my choice. I have blue eyes and dark hair, and would like to correspond with a few gentlemen of intelligence and good social standing. I have no objection to elderly gentlemen. I would prove a loving, faithful and devoted wife. Please write, gentlemen, and I will reply.

THE REPLIES.

This description was fruitful of replies and when Mr. Treat called this morning at her home in King William county, she had a batch of forty-five letters from tall men and short men of every degree of hair, eyes and skins, the descriptions of or all of them being of a character to charm any average widow with their attractions.

Indeed, these letters came so fast that they quite frightened the Virginia widow and their suits were so warm that she became afraid that they would steal her and her alleged fortune entirely against her will.

Indeed, they used a key that would undo a Yale lock more intricate than the heart of this innocent-minded Virginia lady.

TRAVELING MAN.

They came from every quarter, one of them being a well known traveling man of this city.

The lady whom we continue to call Mrs. Yale did not answer any of these letters and was much perturbed at the idea of being summoned to a distant State to testify in such a matter.

She is not a lady of fortune, as stated in Mr. Rowan's attractive advertisement, and, indeed, has not the means to go to Milwaukee. Mr. Treat wired the facts to the Milwaukee official, and should the District Attorney instruct him to send Mrs. Yale to Milwaukee at the government's expense she will have to take the long trip and appear as a witness in the case.

The letters are mostly well written

and some of them bright and entertaining. They would make an engaging newspaper article were not the names of the authors and that of the fair widow to whom they are addressed looked in the breasts of United States Marshal Treat and the fair widow herself.

PETERSBURG.

Death of Mr. Morris Myers in Richmond.

A Little Boy Badly Injured—Dwelling House Burned—Dr. Tanner, the Famous Faster Here—The Late Dr. Budd.

Petersburg, Va., May 15.—Mr. Morris Myers, who was operated on for peritonitis at St. Luke's Home, in Richmond, last Friday, died at that institution Saturday night about half-past 11 o'clock. The deceased was one of Petersburg's best known young men and a member of the M. Levy Peanut Company.

He married Miss Cora Reinach, a daughter of Mr. A. S. Reinach, of this place, who survives him with one child. Mr. Myers' case was thought from the first by his physicians, Dr. J. E. Booth, of this city, and Dr. McGuire, of Richmond, who operated on him, to be a hopeless one. Morris Myers was held in the highest esteem by all who knew him and his untimely death will be regretted by a host of friends and acquaintances.

CHILD PAINFULLY INJURED.

Charles, a little son of Mr. J. Conway Reese, met with a very painful accident last Friday afternoon. He was bathing in Lieutenant Run, near the bridge on St. Andrew street, and in diving he struck his head against a rock. He received a cut about three inches in length, which made a painful wound. He was sent home, where he received medical attention.

DWELLING BURNED.

The dwelling house of Mr. Jones, about one mile north of Reams' station, in Dinwiddie county, was destroyed by fire about 1 o'clock this morning. The fire is supposed to have originated from a defective line. Mr. Jones did not succeed in saving anything. He had an insurance of \$200 on his dwelling.

About half a million pounds of loose tobacco was sold at the warehouses here during the past week. The prices ranged from \$2 to \$23 per hundred pounds.

SALE OF TIMBER LANDS.

Mr. William R. McKenney sold today to Mr. Lee Cobb, a lumber manufacturer of Dinwiddie county, the standing timber, estimated to be not less than 6,000,000 feet, on his farm of 991 acres on the Nottoway river, Brunswick county.

FAMOUS FASTER HERE.

Dr. H. S. Tanner, whose sensational fast of forty days during the Summer of 1889 created world-wide interest, is in the city, stopping at the boarding house on Franklin street, kept by Mrs. Hopkins. Dr. Tanner is on his way to Macon, Ga., where, he says, he expects to remain until the water melon season arrives. The Doctor is very fond of water melons. It will be remembered, He broke his famous fast by eating a forty-five pound melon to the great surprise and against the protest of attending physicians.

A correspondent has the following to say of Dr. Samuel W. Budd, who died at John-Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, Saturday:

He had been a practitioner of medicine in Petersburg for more than twenty years and had a large practice. He was at one time president of the Petersburg Medical Faculty and at the time of his death was one of the vice-presidents of that organization. He was a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason; prelate of Appomattox Commandery, Knights Templar; past high priest of the Royal Arch Chapter of Masons, and past master of Washington Lodge of Masons.

He was one of the physicians at the Home for the Sick, in which institution he had always taken the greatest interest. His remains will be brought here for interment.

Dr. Budd graduated from Bellevue Medical College in 1875, elected fellow State Medical Society in 1889, and had been a member of the Medical Examining Board since 1890. He was house surgeon at Roosevelt Hospital, New York, in 1875 and 1876.

The remains arrived here Sunday morning at 10 o'clock and were met at the depot by Appomattox Commandery, Knights Templar, in full regalia, and a delegation of the Petersburg Medical Faculty, which held a meeting Saturday and took suitable action on the death of Dr. Budd.

The interment was in Highland Cemetery and was largely attended.

MIDDLEBORO FURNACES.

ADDED TO HOLDINGS VIRGINIA IRON, COAL AND COKE CO.

Roanoke, Va., May 15.—The Virginia Iron, Coal and Coke Company, which now controls all the furnaces but one in Southwest Virginia, has added another one to its already long list. It is the Watts Steel and Iron Synagogue, of Middleboro, Ky. It is also stated that this giant combine, with a capital of \$10,000,000, intends to include other iron industries in its consolidation scheme. The Watts furnace, the latest acquisition of the concern, carries with it a large number of valuable mineral leases, and has the finest steel plant in the South. The steel plant is at present idle, but will begin operations in a short time. The furnace is now turning out about 200 tons of iron daily. The furnace at Bristol is being remodelled, and the present capacity of 220 tons, is to be increased to 400 tons daily.

Dwale Notes.

Dwale, Va., May 15.—Wilbur Mullins, who was tried at this term of the County Court upon a charge of betraying his step-daughter, a girl of 14 years, has been found guilty and given five years in the penitentiary. Mullins is about 20 years of age.

Mrs. James P. Kilgore, aged 83 years, of Ava., died Thursday night, after an illness of some months.

Consult Rudolph and Wallace, the acknowledged leaders in tailoring. You will never be satisfied until you do.

TOWN OF SUFFOLK

Suffolk Churches May Lose Their Organists.

Inspector Looking After Postal Affairs—Church Celebration—Presbyterian Benefit Opera—Court in Southampton County.

(Special to Virginian-Pilot.)

Suffolk, Va., May 15.—The chances are good for an organist famine in Suffolk next summer. Two of them have already given notice of going. They are Miss Mary Casler, of Alamance, N. Y., organist at the Main Street Methodist Church, and Miss Jeannette Knox, of Coudersport, Pa., who plays at the Christian Church. Both will leave about the first of June in spite of entreaties from the respective music committees, and no positive engagements have been concluded for their return next fall. Suffolk is too hot for them.

POSTOFFICE INSPECTOR WILSON.

Colonel J. H. C. Wilson, a postoffice inspector, whose headquarters are in Suffolk, today looked after postal affairs in Petersburg. He will visit other offices in that section before returning to Suffolk.

Colonel Wilson is an old newspaper man. He has done journalistic work in Iowa and has served many years as a Washington correspondent, during which many warm friendships with influential politicians were formed. Colonel Wilson is an entertaining talker and congenial gentleman.

BEREA CELEBRATION SUNDAY.

There was a big time Sunday at Berea Christian Church, Drivers. It was the annual second Sunday in May celebration. The members had prepared an abundant dinner, which was served free to everybody. It took a big time to feed the crowd. There were several dozens of persons present from Suffolk.

The pastor, Rev. N. G. Newman, preached a sermon in which were included biographical extracts from the lives of contemporaneous celebrities.

VESSELS ARRIVED.

Schooner Lankford, Kemp, arrived today from Newport News to load lumber from the Nansemond Lumber Company.

Schooner Eley arrived from Baltimore to load lumber from the same company.

THAT FAIR GROUND LIQUOR.

No time has yet been agreed on for argument on the Fair Ground Liquor cases. The seven bar-rooms over there are closed because applications for licenses were denied by County Judge Kilby. They were appealed to Circuit Judge Prentiss, and will be heard at a special term.

FOR A GOOD CAUSE.

It looks like the Presbyterian benefit

opera Thursday night will be one of the most complete successes of the kind Suffolk has seen for many years. The sixty artists, all amateur, have been rehearsing daily for three weeks, and will continue to do it till the evening of the performance. There will be five or six distinct choruses of up-to-date songs, some of which are particularly strong, while the individual work will be done with professional finish.

TOLD IN PARAGRAPHS.

Captain Arthur L. Jones and family, of Baltimore, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Cockey, on West Kilby street. Captain and Mrs. Jones formerly lived in Suffolk.

There was no preaching Sunday in the Baptist Church. The pastor, Rev. J. F. Love, is in Louisville attending the Southern Baptist Convention. He will return Wednesday.

Judge J. B. Prince convened the May term of County Court in Southampton today. The crowd was not large. No business of special interest was done. Mr. B. C. Eley left for Baltimore today, concluding a visit to his son, Mr. John W. Eley, in Suffolk.

His friends will be glad to know that Councilman G. W. Pruitt, who had a slight paralytic stroke some time ago, continues to improve.

Mrs. John C. Smith visited friends in Norfolk today.

A license was sold today for the marriage of Abraham Copeland, 35, and Lucy G. Holloman, 20, colored. They were both, respectively, in Northampton county, N. C., and Southampton county, Va.

Attorney S. E. Everett on Sunday visited his mother, near Holland.

Mr. H. J. Turner, of Chicago, was in Suffolk today.

Mrs. Frank A. Bennett, of Norfolk, is in Suffolk, visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Bowker.

A locomotive recently bought by the Suffolk Sawmill Company, was today shipped to Margarettville, N. C., via the Seaboard Air Line.

Mrs. J. Walter Hesler has concluded a pleasant stay with friends in Elizabeth City, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. James L. McLemore returned today from a week's stay in Atlanta, Ga.

Miss Lella Minton, of Everett, Va., was in Suffolk today.

Miss Katie Holladay has concluded a short visit to Norfolk.

Cards will soon be out for a June marriage. One of the principals lives here and the other in Norfolk.

At the Christian Church Sunday evening Mrs. W. E. Brinkley sang "The City Eternal." Mrs. Hennes and Miss Harvey sang a duet in the morning.

SUFFOLK ADVERTISEMENTS

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NEWPORT NEWS.

Hampton Jury Gives Austin Eight Years

A Verdict Reached After Forty-two Hours—The "Colonel" Receives It Coolly—The Newport News-Portsmouth Gun Shot.

Newport News, Va., May 15.—After being out forty-two hours, the jury in the celebrated Austin case at Hampton this morning brought in a verdict of guilty and fixed the punishment of the accused at eight years in the State penitentiary.

Argument in the trial was concluded Saturday afternoon at 5 o'clock, at which time the case was given to the jury, who, after being out for an hour, reported their inability to agree. They were adjourned over until 10 o'clock that night, when again they were compelled to announce their inability to arrive at a decision. On the suggestion of Commonwealth's Attorney Collier Judge Lee decided to hold the jury over until this morning, in order that they might have more time for deliberation on the evidence and instructions in the case.

The court room was crowded when court opened this morning at 10 o'clock, and while the jury was being "called" speculation ran rife as to what their verdict would be.

"Gentlemen of the jury, have you all agreed?" asked Judge Lee, as the clerk announced that each jurymen had answered to his name. "Yes, sir," replied Foreman Frank Couch, who submitted the following verdict:

"We, the jury, find the prisoner, G. P. Austin, alias "Colonel" G. P. Austin, guilty as charged in the indictment, and fix his punishment at eight years in the State penitentiary."

The prisoner was told to stand up while Clerk Wood read the verdict. "Colonel" Austin showed no sign of emotion, except a slight blanching of the countenance, and seemed to accept the verdict with the same coolness that he has exhibited throughout the proceedings.

Judge Lee had announced that, whatever the verdict might be, no demonstration would be tolerated, and the admonition was strictly observed by the large crowd present.

Following the announcement of the verdict, counsel for the defense moved that it be set aside as being contrary to the law and evidence. Judge Lee will hear argument on this motion tomorrow.

PIGEON SHOOT THURSDAY.

The shooting contest between the Chesapeake Gun Club, of this city, and the Portsmouth Red and Gun Club will take place Thursday afternoon at Riverview Park. The Portsmouth club will get here Thursday morning and will be banqueted by the home club probably at the Warwick Hotel. The shoot will commence about 3 o'clock.

FIRST CONVENTION.

BROTHERHOOD OF ST. ANDREW OF THE TWO VIRGINIAS.

Charlottesville, Va., May 15.—The first Tri-Diocesan Convention of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew of the two Virginias convened in Christ Church, this city, Saturday evening, at 8 o'clock.

After devotional services, conducted by the Rev. W. A. R. Goodwin, of Petersburg, Mr. Stewart M. Woodward, of St. James Church, Richmond, called the meeting to order, and after a few appropriate remarks, placed in nomination, as temporary chairman, Mr. E. W. Moore, of Richmond, who took the chair and appointed a committee of five on nomination of officers, which committee reported, resulting in the election of the following:

President, Thomas C. Ruffin, Richmond; First Vice-President, G. S. Fisher, Huntington; Second Vice-President, A. W. Hilleary, Staunton; Third Vice-President, E. W. Moore, Richmond; Recording Secretary, Dr. D. M. Brown, Petersburg.

COMMITTEES.

The Chair appointed the following committees:

On Resolutions—John B. Minor, Richmond; W. W. Hardwick, Richmond; John P. Halsey, Lynchburg; John W. Wood, New York, and A. G. Parker, Portsmouth.

On Credentials—H. S. Lyman, Charlottesville; J. H. Cox, Theological Seminary; E. Valentine Jones, Richmond; H. S. Jones, Roanoke, and H. H. Ramsey, Alexandria.

On Finance—H. S. Valentine, Richmond; H. H. Moss, Jr., Parkersburg; B. K. Baker, Richmond; G. M. West, Richmond, and E. W. Moore, Richmond.

Addresses of welcome, made by the Rev. H. B. Lee, rector Christ Church, and J. W. Anderson, secretary Christ Church Chapter, to which brief responses were made by W. A. Sergeant, Jr., Norfolk; Dr. Charles E. Pratt, Wheeling, and John B. Minor, Richmond.

SUNDAY MEETINGS.

The program for Sunday was one of great interest. At 9:30 the co-operative celebration of the Holy Communion occurred. The exercises were conducted by Right Rev. Robert A. Gibson, D. D., bishop coadjutor of Virginia, assisted by the Rev. H. B. Lee, rector of Christ Church, this city.

At 11 a. m. the convention sermon was preached by the Rev. R. J. Boddy, D. D., of Grace Memorial Church, Lexington. The 20th chapter of the acts of the apostles furnishing the subject at the discourse, the speaker holding St. Paul up as an ideal Christian, and an example for the Brotherhood.

After the sermon Bishop Gibson confirmed a class of fourteen.

PUBLIC MEETING.

At 4 o'clock p. m. a public meeting was held. This meeting was largely attended by the young men of the various church organizations of the city—embracing and nominating many students of the University of Virginia being present. The topic discussed was: "The Influence of the Gospel Over Mind and Soul." Major Robert Stiles, of St. Paul's Church, Richmond, and the Rev. E. W. Clappeth, D. D., of St. Peter's Church, Baltimore, were the principal speakers on the occasion.

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